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Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the spring 2014 session

Addendum

Annotations and list of documents

1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item on the agenda concerns its adoption. The Joint Meeting will also have before it the report on its autumn 2013 session, held in Geneva from 17 to 27 September 2013 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/132 – OTIF/RID/RC/2013-B).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2013 session, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chairman and Mr. H. Rein (Germany) as Vice-Chairman for 2014;

(b) UNECE documents (other than agendas or reports) with the symbol ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/ are circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) in German under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/ followed by the same document number. As part of the secretariat's efforts to reduce expenditure, documents will not be available in the conference room. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting;

(c) The documentation will be available on the UNECE website (www.unece.org/trans/danger/danger.htm) in English, French and Russian;

(d) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet outside the times of the plenary session to consider documents concerning standards (item 3), in accordance with the mandate to be decided by the Joint Meeting;

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(e) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet concurrently with it to consider documents concerning tanks (item 2), after this item have been discussed in plenary;

(f) The reading of the report (item 9) is scheduled for Friday morning (21 March 2014) without interpretation.

2. Tanks

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/1 (Germany)	Continued use of fixed tanks (tank-vehicles), demountable tanks and battery-vehicles in accordance with the transitional provisions of ADR 1.6.3.1, 1.6.3.2 and 1.6.3.3
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/5 (Romania)	Comments on the new Special Provision 664 in Chapter 3.3 of ADR and amendments to the definition of the *Service equipment* in 1.2.1
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/6 (Germany)	Chapter 6.10 Vacuum-operated waste tanks - Explosion-pressure proof design of vacuum-operated tanks as an alternative to flame traps
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/13 (Ukraine)	Proposals of amendments to special provisions TU21 and TU16 to align with the requirements of SMGS, Appendix 2
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/24 (Spain)	Carriage of liquefied refrigerated natural gas (UN 1972) in non-vacuum insulated vessels
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/30 (AEGPL)	Periodic inspection of LPG tank-vehicles, alternatives to the hydraulic test
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/32 (EIGA)	Holding times for refrigerated liquefied gases in tank containers and demountable tanks
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/34 (France) + informal document INF.5 (France)	Vacuum operated waste tanks

3. Standards

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/11 (CEN)	Information on work in progress in CEN

4. Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/12 (CEN)	Understanding of reference text for mandatory standards
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/15 (CEN)	Understanding of terms "in special cases" and "as a genera! rule" in the context of pressure testing of tanks
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/17 (ISO, ECMA, EIGA and CEN)	Hydraulic pressure testing of pressure receptacles
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/22 (Sweden)	Periodic inspection of individual gas cylinders in MEGCs

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/26 (Switzerland)	Interpretation of the exemptions
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/27 (Switzerland)	Exemption of electric energy storage systems for vehicles and their equipment

5. Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

(a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/7 (Belgium and Germany)	Addition to RID/ADR 1.8.6.4.1
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/14 (Germany)	Widening special provision 594
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/20 (CEPE)	Assignment of flammable liquids in packing group II to packing group III according to their viscosity
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/21 (Spain and Norway)	UN 3170 Aluminium smelting by-products or aluminium remelting by-products
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/31 (AEGPL) + informal document INF.4 (AEGPL)	Periodic inspection and test of some transportable refillable LPG steel cylinders in RID/ADR
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/35 (France)	Definition of the maximum total quantity per transport unit in 1.1.3.6 for adsorbed gases
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/36 (France)	Lithium batteries contained in vehicles and equipment assigned to UN Nos. 3166 and 3171
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/132, paragraphs 96 and 96 and -/Add.2	
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/221 (secretariat) - Report of the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its ninety-fifth session, paragraphs 23-26	Flexible bulk containers
OTIF/RID/CE/GTP/2013-A (OTIF secretariat) - Report of the standing working group of the RID Committee of Experts of OTIF, second session, paragraphs 13 and 14	

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/3 (UIC)	Addition of "flexible bulk containers", "sheeted bulk containers" and "closed bulk containers" in 1.2.1 Definitions
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/4 (UIC) + informal document INF.3 (UIC)	Replacement of UIC leaflets UIC 592-2 and 592-4 by UIC leaflet 592

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/8 (VESF)	Exempting the carriage of construction, agricultural and forestry machinery from special provision 363
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/9 (Russian Federation)	Proposal of modifications of the special provisions for the carriage of UN No 1131 and related issues
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/10 (Germany)	Clarification and amendment of the provisions for the carriage of genetically modified live animals
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/16 (ISO)	Marking of bundles of cylinders
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/18 (Spain)	5.3.1.2 Placarding of large containers, MEGCs, tank-containers and portable tanks
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/19 (France)	Packing instruction LP99
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/25 (Austria and Spain)	Modification of RID/ADR 5.5.3
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/28 (Switzerland)	Approval of packagings for the carriage of infectious substances
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/29 (Switzerland)	Special provision 363
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/33 (Austria)	Amendment of special provision 658 – use of large containers

6. Reports of informal working groups

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/37 (France)	Informal working group on multimodal database on events involving transport of dangerous goods (Valenciennes, 10-11 October 2013)

7. Future work

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/2 (Belgium)	Transport of ammonia solutions in IBCs
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2014/23 (Belgium and Netherlands)	Report on occurrences during the carriage of dangerous goods in accordance with RID/ADR section 1.8.5

The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the autumn 2014 session (Geneva, 15-19 September 2014).

8. Any other business

9. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, the Joint Meeting will adopt the report of the session on the basis of a draft established by the secretariat.